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This is a response to the Restriction Requirement of July 13, 2006. Applicant elects without traverse to prosecute Group I comprising Claims 1-10 drawn to a method of operating a hybrid electric vehicle.

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Prompt and favorable consideration of this application is requested. If the Examiner notes any minor errors, he is invited to telephone the undersigned so that the matter can be promptly handled by Examiner's amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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